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Good morning!

Preaching today is Toby Mattern.

Sermon series: A Faith That Matters

The YouVersion Link is https://bible.com/events/487097.

Please feel free to use your phone during service to take notes.

Welcome to Mentor United Methodist Church!
440.255.3496
www.mentorumc.org

Traditional Worship
Rev. Kurt Landerholm
Sanctuary
9 and 11 AM

Modern Worship
iConnect Fellowship Hall
9 and 11 AM

The mission of Mentor United Methodist Church is to lead all onto a path of Christ-centered discipleship.

November 11, 2018

Visitors
If this is your first visit, please stop by the Welcome Center in the Gallery. We have a gift for you and want to learn how we can help you on your journey.

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Congregational Care

Members admitted to Rehab, Assisted Living or Nursing Home Facility:
- Mentor Ridge Health & Rehab - Gloria Meyer
- Brookdale Mentor - Norma Kuzik, Patricia Laubscher
- Heartland - Nadine (Klein) Miller, John Hardy • The Abbey - Debra Jones
- Symphony - Alice Zimmerman • Brookdale Wickliffe - Jim Wuerthele
- Governor’s Village Mayfield - Ron McFeely • Fairmount - Barbara Bradarich
- Concord Village - Shirley Drobnick

Members who have returned home or are homebound:
- Chris Fletcher, Joan Evans, Dave Smith, Dick Smith,
- Debbie Snyder, Dale Porter, Phyllis Melchreit

Congratulations to Diane and Andrew Champa on the birth of their grandson, Parker Nicholas Tuleja, to parents Mary and Nick Tuleja, on October 26.

Weekly Update

Missions Commission - Thanksgiving Dinner Sign-Ups
Children’s Ministry - Chocolate Advent Calendars
Altar Guild - Christmas altar poinsettias
Eliana Palermo and Roxy Beers - Liberia Mission Trip

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Forgiveness is setting the prisoner free, only to realize that you were the prisoner.

Sometimes we will be hurt again, but Jesus wants us to keep bringing the hurts to him so he can give us his strength, healing, and grace to rely on him to keep us from bitterness.

We can heal our wounds and we can forgive. We can be set free from bitterness, but Jesus doesn't matter, just get over it. He wants us to bring the hurts to him so Jesus can heal our wounds and we can forgive. We can be set free from bitterness and show mercy for those who wrong us, just as we have been shown mercy.

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Prayer Buddies
Adults without children in the home are encouraged to sign up to pray for a child in our church. Children are encouraged to sign up to be the recipient of prayers!

All the details and sign up information is at mentorumc.org/prayer-buddy.

MUM Preschool Pre-Registration for 2019-2020
Complete the form to be in the queue for registration at MUM Preschool Pre-Registration for 2019-2020.
Bicentennial Presentation

Join us in the Wesley Room at 12:30 PM next Sunday, November 18. We will be showing the video of church members reminiscing about MUMC. For more information, contact Don Humphrey at dhumphrey@ameritech.net.

Bicentennial Ornaments

Ornaments can be purchased at the Information Hub next Sunday, November 18. They are $15, cash and checks are accepted.

Food Distribution

Please mark your calendars to help with The 2018/2019 Food Distribution to Mentor and MUMC families in need. Food Bags will be given out after church on November 4, 2018, and collected on Sunday, November 11, 2018. If you aren’t able to shop, monetary donations are always accepted and welcome! Checks can be made out to MUMC, noted “Food Distribution” and placed in the offering plate or given to the Office.

Volunteers are needed on Monday, November 12, 2018 at 10:00 AM to organize food!

Volunteers are also needed on Monday, November 12, 2018 and Tuesday, November 13, 2018 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM to accompany families while they shop and take groceries to their car.

If you are interested in helping with this rewarding ministry, please contact Mike Cosmo at 440-488-4566.

Shopping on Amazon for the Holidays?

We are registered with AmazonSmile Foundation as a charitable organization. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, 0.05% of the price of the eligible purchases are donated to MUMC. There is no cost to the church and no cost to you.

It is easy to get started visit smile.amazon.com and select Mentor United Methodist Church.

United Methodist Student Day

Sunday, November 25, donations can be made to assist students across the country attending UMC institutions. If you would like to donate, note your check “United Methodist Student Day”.

GriefShare Surviving the Holidays

Monday, December 10, 6:30-9:00 PM

Register by emailing blwrobel@mentorumc.org or call 440-255-3496.

OUTWARD

Thanksgiving Dinner Food Donation Guidelines

This year, we are encouraging those folks who sign up to donate turkeys, to roast them at home according to directions which will be online and available at the Information Hub. The Posts have created simple step by step directions for the perfect roasted turkey. We may even be able to loan you a roaster!

There are some people who donate turkeys who are away for the holiday and cannot roast them for Thanksgiving, so if you do not want to purchase a turkey, but are willing to roast one, please let us know that as well. If you are donating a turkey unroasted, it needs to be at the church on Sunday, Nov. 18.

If you are roasting a turkey, it needs to be delivered to the church on Wednesday morning, 9 AM, Nov. 21, freshly cooked and warm so that our volunteers can separate the meat from the bones; it is very difficult to de-bone a cold bird!

Finally, if you are delivering a roasted turkey to the church in a roaster, please bring only the parts of the roaster that you absolutely need to bring and make sure that each part is labeled with your name so that it can be returned to you.

Some additional things for you to know: If you are donating a pie, it must be baked prior to being dropped off at the church. Due to limited storage space, the best time to drop off pie donations is Wed, Nov. 21 between 6:30 and 7:30 PM.

Also, if donating rolls, they too need to be baked before being delivered to the church; please NO brown and serve rolls. We just do not have the oven space to do this.

Thank you very much for helping, especially this year!
**Hope Chest in Need of Towels**

Please consider donating new or gently used towels and washcloths to Hope Chest. Place them in the bin at the Community Center. Thank you!

**“PRESS ON out of the Past into a Vibrant Future” Prayer Vigil**

During the week leading up to our commitment Sunday for the 2019 Operating Budget and In this House III for debt reduction, we will have a 7 day, 24 hour prayer vigil. The dates are Sunday, November 11 through Saturday, November 17.

A large poster with the schedule is located in the Gallery. You can sign up for any time or times during the week, and you don’t need to pray at the church. In addition to prayer, you can spend this time in devotional reading. When you sign up, there will be one-page suggestions for devotional reading.

The guide is also available on our website homepage under Around Our Church and on the app under Register.

**Coat Ministry**

The first distribution of coats is during our annual Thanksgiving dinner which will be upon us very soon. At present, we have only 32 warm winter coats to distribute. Any donation of a new or gently worn warm winter coat for men, women, children or babies, including extra large sizes, would be greatly appreciated. Donations are being collected in a labeled bin at the Community Center, outside Fellowship Hall towards the education wing. Please help us serve those less fortunate than we are!

**Joseph Ministry Volunteers Needed**

Joseph Ministry is a group of MUMC volunteers that will help local residents with “fix it” projects around the house. However, the list of volunteers has dwindled and is in need of new members. Work as your personal schedule permits. If you like to do home repair projects, you could be of great help to your neighbors. Contact Larry Hoon at larryhoon@yahoo.com if you think you could be of assistance in this ministry.

**Trip to Hartville Hardware and Flea Market**

Cornerstone is sponsoring a trip to Hartville Hardware and Flea Market on November 16. We carpool from the church at 9 AM and should return around 3 PM. See Larry Hoon in the information hub between services for more information.

**Outward**

Coming in December: “Crafternoon,” December 1, 1-3 PM.

**Young at Heart Luncheon**

Wednesday, December 5 • Noon in Fellowship Hall • $5

Hosted by Mentor United Methodist Women

All those 62 years and older are invited to enjoy a Christmas lunch and program with your church staff and friends at the Young at Heart Luncheon.

$5 (paid in advance or at the door) covers your meal, beverage, dessert AND fun!

Please call the church office at 440-255-3496 by November 30, and ask to be added to the Young at Heart luncheon list! Let us know when you call if you need a ride. We will be happy to arrange one for you!

**Great News from Missions Commission**

Missions Commission is delighted to let you know that Katelynn Gurbach has volunteered to be the point person for this year’s annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Please help Katelynn make this year’s dinner successful as we move forward with Jim and Lori Post being present this holiday.

Now, all of you who spoke to us about wanting to help, have the opportunity to sign up to donate items and your time. This year we are utilizing Sign-Up Genius for this purpose. Please go to the MUMC website homepage, scroll down to the bottom, and click on “2018 Thanksgiving Dinner” under “Around Our Church”. You can choose the link to sign up for working at the dinner and/or bringing food items.

Using this online system will be the preferred way to sign-up. It will make it easy for Katelynn to keep up with what is still needed. One of the additional benefits is that you will not have to crowd the Information Hub to get signed-up for your favorite activities and donations. You can sign up from the convenience of your home and will receive an electronic reminder of what you volunteered to do. Sign-up is on a “first-come, first served” basis, so if you have a certain job that you like to do each year, don’t delay. Sign up today as soon as you get home from church.

If you have questions or do not have internet capabilities, Jim, Lori and Katelynn will be at the Information Hub following today’s church service.

Additionally, you can call the church office at 440-255-3496 during the week and ask for Carolyn if you need assistance signing up for service and donations.

**Flat Rock Christmas Gifts And Trip**

Anyone who has received a wish tag and offered to purchase gifts for a resident of Flat Rock Homes, please bring your purchases along with the wish tag to the church by Nov. 28. There is a labeled bin in the Community Center, outside Fellowship Hall towards the education wing to collect these gifts.

Additionally, Carole Ring and Johannna Martin are planning to deliver the Christmas gifts on Thursday, November 29. We will depart from the church around 9 AM, arrive at Flat Rock by 11 AM, tour the facility and meet some of the residents and staff, and have lunch (provided by Flat Rock). Then we will wrap a few Christmas gifts before heading back to Mentor. We expect to get back between 4 and 5 PM.

Any adults are welcome to join us. Please just let one of us know so that we have enough drivers. Contact Carole Ring at c.j.ring@sbcglobal.net or Johanna Martin at johannamartin@sbcglobal.net.
Altar Guild will be at the Information Hub on the Sundays of November 4, 11, 18 and 25. Forms and payments may be completed at that time.

Plants designated for the Sanctuary may be picked up after the 9:00 PM service on Christmas Eve. Plants designated for __________ may be picked up after the 7:00 PM service on Christmas Eve. 

__ SANCTUARY __ ICONNECT
TOTAL NUMBER OF PLANTS ORDERED ___ X $7 EACH = $__________
CASH ___ CHECK ___

Altar Guild is selling Poinsettias for the Christmas altar displays. The last date to order is December 2. Checks can be made out to MUMC or Mentor United Methodist Church. If returning your check and form by mail, please address as: Mentor United Methodist Church
8600 Mentor Ave. Mentor, OH 44060

Guides for the Stewardship Prayer Vigil

During the time of prayer both pray and meditate. Following are some aids...

Read the following scriptures and prayerfully meditate on what they say:
Matthew 6:19-24
Matthew 19:16-21
Luke 9:23
Hebrews 13:5
1 Timothy 6:6-10, 17-19
Mark 12:41-44
Luke 12:13-21
James 5:1-6
Psalm 37:16-17
Malachi 3:6-10

Personal Devotional Items

Other resources for reading:
http://www.umc.org/how-we-serve/stewardship
https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/nurturing-generous-living
https://odb.org/tag/stewardship/
https://tifwe.org/four-principles-of-biblical-stewardship/

When you pray, pray for...
• Yourself and what God’s will for your life looks like.
• Yourself that you might be a surrendered vessel God can use.
• For the ministry of the church.
• Church leaders and pastors/staff.
• The church to live into our mission to lead all onto a path of Christ-centered discipleship.